MidAmerican Warns Customers About Telephone Scheme

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DES MOINES, Iowa -- MidAmerican Energy is warning customers about a telephone scheme.

A representative with the energy company said that someone claiming to be a MidAmerican employee is calling customers trying to get their credit card numbers.

The person is calling central Iowa customers telling them their electricity will be shut off unless they make a credit card payment immediately.

One person did give their credit card number, but soon realized it was not legitimate and canceled the payment.

MidAmerican said the thief immediately tried making a cash advance through Western Union three times tonight, but was denied.

MidAmerican said if people get a phone call like that, they should call MidAmerican at 888-427-5632 or call police.